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## NEXT SHRINE LUNCHEON FINAL OF SEASON

THE next Shrine luncheon and the final one of the Season will be held at the Copley Plaza Hotel, Tuesday, November 28, 1939.

Due to this luncheon being several weeks away, at the time we go to press, it is not possible to make known the identity of the guest speaker for this occasion. However, our committee chairman advises that he has been in touch with one of our prominent state officials who hopes to be able to accept his invitation to be with us on this occasion. If the chairman is successful we predict the largest luncheon of the year.

Therefore, make your plans now to be present at the next Shrine luncheon, Tuesday, November 28.

## THE OCTOBER LUNCHEON

Over 300 Nobles and their guests turned out on Tuesday, October 24, to greet Captain Clarence A. Abele, Commander of the Massachusetts School Ship "Nantucket," who was guest speaker at our regular monthly luncheon held on that date in the Copley Plaza Hotel Ballroom.

Captain Abele was presented to the Nobility by a Noble of Aleppo, Lieutenant Commander Walter K. Queen who was a member of the Expeditions to both the North and South poles. Captain Abele addressed the gathering on "The Development and Training of our Youths on the School Ship." He said that the Navy was going to furnish the department with a new school ship, and there was a prospect that out-of-state youths would soon be allowed to take the training course on the Massachusetts school ship.

Captain Abele was accompanied by Captain John T. Nelson, and Commander Clarence E. Perkins of the Naval Reserve who is a member of Aleppo.

Seated at the head table in addition to the speaker and his guests were Potentate James J. Curry, Chief Rabban Robert G. Wilson, Jr., Asst. Rabban Willard P. Lombard, H. P. and P. Arthur A. Sondheim, Oriental Guide and Luncheon Committee Chairman Lionel G. H. Palmer, Treasurer Frank W. Morrill, 1st Ceremonial Master Justin A. Duncan, Past Potentates Clarence J. McKenzie, Charles T. Cahill and Roy A. Faye, Director Paul F. Bowser and Asst. Recorder and Luncheon Secretary Harvey B. Leggee.

## SHRINE CLUBS VISIT SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL

THE Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts of New Bedford and the Worcester County Shrine Club of Worcester made a joint visitation to the Shriners' Hospital at Springfield and to the Convalescent Home on Sunday, October 22, and this was followed by a joint dinner at the Publick House in Sturbridge, Mass.

Three Potentates honored the occasion with their presence: James J. Curry of Aleppo Temple, Boston, Norman P. Dempsey of Melha Temple, Springfield, and Donald E. Spears of Palestine Temple, Providence. Potentate Idris Alderson of Sphinx Temple, Hartford, was unavoidably obliged to be absent due to a previous engagement but all hands know that he was there in spirit. Potentate Curry was accompanied on this visitation by three members of his Divan, Nobles Frank W. Morrill, Treasurer of Aleppo and a member of the Board of Governors of the Springfield Hospital; Harvey B. Leggee, Assistant Recorder, and N. Russell, Lynn, Aide to the Potentate.

Southeastern Massachusetts Shriners journeyed to Springfield in a cavalcade and enjoyed a picnic lunch en route. The first visitation was to the Shriners' Convalescent Home which is sponsored by Palestine Temple and Potentate Spears and members of his Divan joined in directing the informal ceremonies.

President William Stitt of the New Bedford Club and President Joseph C. DeWolf of the Worcester Club were in general charge of the arrangements.

From the Convalescent Home the Shriners journeyed to the Hospital for Crippled Children and a complete set of new woolen blankets sufficient to cover every bed in the hospital was presented as the joint contribution of the two clubs.

In accord with previous arrangements the New Bedford Shriners supervised the party at both the home and at the hospital. Favors were presented to every child both at the home and at the hospital. And at both institutions an entertainment program for the kiddies was presented. This was arranged by Arthur M. Simmons of Melha who did a magnificent job in planning so excellent a program for the delight of the children. The idea for the party originated with Charles E. Davis, Jr., Secretary of the Southeastern Massachusetts Shrine Club of New Bedford, and the lion's share of all the planning, arrangements and execution of the program was carried out by Nobles Simmons and Davis with abundant aid from Secretary James R. Estes of the Worcester Club.

President Harry Caswell, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Shriners' Hospital, Miss Dorothy Forsythe, Superintendent of the Hospital, and Dr. R. Nelson Hatt, chief surgeon of the "House of Miracles" accepted the blankets and all expressed thanks for the blankets and appreciation of all that was done for the young folk.

The dinner at the Publick House was in charge of the Worcester Club. This excellent hostelry is half way between Worcester and Springfield and on the road from Springfield to Providence, so was decided upon as the proper location. In advance the management, under the direction of Richard C. Paige, warned that the dinner would have to be served in two dining rooms and that 105 was the limit that could be accommodated on Sunday. In all 125 came to the dinner and some had to wait but all were good-natured and everyone was taken care of. Our compliments to the Publick House for its fine service under difficult circumstances.

Superintendent Forsythe of the Hospital and Mrs. Ottone, Superintendent of the Convalescent Home attended the dinner and expressed their appreciation of what had been done. The Potentates and Presidents of the two clubs also made brief speeches. The Potentates were good enough to speak in both dining halls, thereby making two speeches each.



## GET THAT CANDIDATE

NOBLE, line up that candidate for the November 17th ceremonial in Aleppo Temple. Don't let him escape the dotted line this time. If he is a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason or a Knight Templar he will want to belong to the Shrine and you will want him to be one of the Nobility. All he needs is a little sales talk reinforced by an Aleppo Temple petition and a pen. Go after him, Noble, and bring him into the fold at this celebrated "Governor's Night" ceremonial. If you will do things for Aleppo, you will put Aleppo in a better position to do things for you.



## GO OUT AND GET ONE

Soliloquy of a Southern darkey: "When ah ask de Lord to send me a chicken, ah hardly evah gets a chicken. But when ah ask de Lord to send me after a chicken, ah always gets me a chicken."—*Selection in Shade. Don't Pray for a Novice—Go Out After One.*



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## LISTEN TO THE MUEZZIN'S CALL

**A** WAKEN! Ye sons of the desert. Join with us in full pomp and ceremony to enjoy one of Aleppo's splendid ceremonials in honor of our Governor.

Noble, we need the petition of that friend you have in mind, who you believe would make a good Shriner, and who would enjoy membership in our organization. It is up to you to help us put an Aleppo fez on his head.

We want a banner class of candidates to greet our Governor. And who wouldn't get a kick out of being a candidate on this gala occasion.

Don't take no for an answer. Sign him up for the 17th of November. He will forever thank you for bringing him in. He will get a kick out of it, and so will you.

The Recorder will supply the petitions. The Degree Staff will supply the fun.

## TINFOIL FOR THE CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S FUND

**T**HE tin foil is still coming in from all directions through the courtesy of Nobles, families and friends, for the benefit of the Crippled Children's Fund. We thank those who have sent foil in and hope they will continue the good work.

By the way—have you taken your family up to Springfield to visit the Shrine Hospital and see what is being done for these unfortunate children? If not, you should not lose any time making a date to visit this "House of Magic." It really is a House of Magic in every sense of the word. Some people do not like to make a visitation to our hospital as they like to stay away from hospitals as much as possible.

However, the Shrine Hospital is one place where you do not see any suffering and you really enjoy seeing the children smiling and having the time of their lives while their twisted bones are being corrected without their hardly knowing it. This may sound wrong but we guarantee if you make a visit to a Shrine hospital, it will not be your

last, and you will return for another visit at the first opportunity.

Visitors are always welcome at any time. Sundays are good visiting days at the hospital, so, why not make up a party some Sunday and take the family up to Springfield to see what you are helping to do for some unfortunate children who did not have the start in life you had.

In addition to the many Nobles and others interested in this work who have offered their places of business as collecting stations for tin foil we wish to add the following:

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 East Lynn, Mass.

**NOBLE HYMAN GOLDBERG,**  
 Newhall Drug Store,  
 199 Main Street,  
 Malden, Massachusetts.

## ORCHIDS TO ALEPPO BAND

**T**HE following letter received by our Illustrious Potentate is of great interest to the members of the Aleppo Band as well as the members of Aleppo:

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"Ill. James J. Curry, Potentate  
 "Aleppo Temple  
 "A. O. O. N. M. S.  
 "97 Huntington Avenue  
 "Boston, Massachusetts

"Dear Jim:

"Returning from out of town I am reminded that one of the brightest spots of the great fraternal dinner enjoyed by Scottish Rite Masonry at the Copley Plaza Hotel in Boston September 25th was contributed by Aleppo Temple Band.

"Many fine compliments of the music on that occasion came to my attention and it was by all means particularly appropriate to have the Shrine Band participate in what was expressly designed to be a true fraternal dinner.

"The visitors from many distant parts expressed a great thrill as did every one of us who were nearer home. Will you be kind enough to see that our appreciation is properly expressed to Walter Smith and to the members of the Band so that they will realize that we truly feel profoundly grateful to them for their cooperation on that occasion.

"With kind regards and best wishes always,

Fraternally yours,

"THEODORE R. LOCKWOOD, 33°  
 "Commander-in-Chief"

## "STRANGE AS IT SEEMS"

**T**HE following article was sent in by one of our Past Potentates, and will be interesting to keep in mind to see how the prophecy works out:

On the radio program, "Strange as it Seems", given a short time ago, we heard the mystery of the great pyramid expounded. It made a fascinating story, too long to be recounted here, but it was from an English scientist's findings, published in 1870.

A certain passage in the pyramid is in itself apparently a prophecy. By means of dips and narrow places contrasted with broad and rising stretches, it is believed that the passage, so constructed that an Egyptian inch equals a year of time, predicts through astrology the periods of spiritual advancement together with the retrogressions and trials of the human race.

At the time the findings were published the scientist had made the measurements of the passage coincide with the great flood of Biblical times, the coming of Christ, and many other important events. This is not surprising, since anything can be done with figures.

But also, and this was in 1870, mind you, the writer predicted from his measurements that there would be a great world crisis lasting from August, 1914, to November, 1918. And that isn't all. He said that one of the blackest periods in the history of the world would extend from October, 1939, until 1952, with the very depths of that period coming on November 27, 1939.

Remember that date, and let us see what happens. Right now it looks as though we were well on the way to a conflagration.

## HIGH MASONIC HONORS BESTOWED UPON LYNN NOBLE

**H**ONORS which come to few Masons were bestowed upon Noble Fred H. Nichols, one of the leading citizens and business men of Lynn, when he was presented a "Fifty Year Membership Medal" and distinguished service medal, Monday, October 9, at a meeting of Mount Carmel Lodge of that city.

It was the first time in the history of the Order in Massachusetts, that both honors had been conferred upon a member of the fraternity at the same time.

The well-merited awards were presented by District Deputy Grand Master Alden P. Crosby in behalf of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts. The District Deputy Grand Master was accompanied by a large and distinguished suite of Masons.

Noble Nichols, who has been a life member of Aleppo for many years, has a distinct record in the Masonic fraternity. He was raised in Mount Carmel Lodge of Lynn in 1889, and served as Master of the Lodge in 1903. He served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh Masonic District in 1904 and 1905. In 1907 he was elected secretary of his Blue Lodge and served in that office until his retirement, at his own request, in 1931. He was President of the Masonic Secretaries Association of Massachusetts in 1930 and 1931. He belongs to both the Scottish Rite and York Rite branches of Masonry, as well as many social and civic clubs.



# THE FALL CEREMONIAL

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1939

## "GOVERNOR'S NIGHT"

**HIS EXCELLENCY, LEVERETT SALTONSTALL, GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS, will cross the hot sands at this meeting**

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### **4:00 P.M.—Balloting on Candidates—Business Meeting**

Candidates will report at West Newton Street entrance of Mechanics Building at 3:15 P. M.

### **4:10 P.M. — Ritual in Full Form by Ritualistic Degree Team, Talbot Hall Entrance at 135 Huntington Avenue**

**THIS IS A VERY BEAUTIFUL RENDITION OF THE RITUAL OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE IN FULL FORM.  
THE BANQUET HALL WILL BE OPENED IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THIS CEREMONY**

**5:00 to 7:00 P.M.—Buffet Dinner**

**6:00 P.M.—Band Concert**

**6:45 P.M.—Business Meeting**


**7:30 P.M.—Patrol Drill and Review**

**8:00 P.M.—Second Section Floor Work**

**8:45 P.M.—Grand Vaudeville Show**

The following proposed amendment of the by-laws of Aleppo Temple was offered in writing at the stated session of the Temple held August 26, 1939, by Past Potentate and Recorder Walter W. Morrison, and according to the by-laws of the Temple will come up for action at the business meeting at 4:00 P. M., November 17, 1939:

"Article IV, Section 8 of the by-laws is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence therein and substituting therefore the following: "Not more than \$8,500.00 of the principal of the fund shall be expanded in any one year and in no event shall the principal ever be reduced to a sum less than \$500,000.00. All expenditures of the principal shall be in the same manner and for the same purpose as now provided in the by-laws for the income."

 **Your 1939 Shrine Card IS NECESSARY for Admittance.**

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOURS, SEND YOUR CHECK FOR IT NOW!**

Attest:

*Walter W. Morrison*  
Recorder  
Telephone KENmore 0678

*James J. Curry*

Illustrious Potentate





By NOBLE CHARLES C. FEARING  
Associate Editor

**PITY** the plight of this poor "associate editor" who is expected to fill a column of Band Notes when there "ain't no notes," not even a theme song.

None of the boys in the band have committed a first class murder, nor a major burglary—not even a petty larceny (so far as we can discover), and as we are no Walter Winchell we simply throw up our hands in despair. You know the old saying that "no news is good news," but that's the bunk in this case. No news is h—l for a chap who is admonished very forcibly by the chief to come through with some band notes pronto or else.

We went away out to Oklahoma recently thinking during our absence some of the boys would do something rash so we could "rib 'em." But, also, no rash—not even the measles. They must have all got religion. So far as we can ascertain none of 'em even got "spificated."

We were inspired, however, in Guthrie, Oklahoma, when we were escorted through the Consistory Cathedral in that city. It is a magnificent building—the largest Consistory Cathedral in the world, so we were informed, and it cost nearly four million dollars to build and furnish. We could easily believe it after an inspection of nearly two hours. The main auditorium seats 3750 persons, and the stage is only 99 by 65 feet, with 125 drop scenes. We could visualize the full band (full in numbers, of course), seated in that vast area. There would be plenty of room even for the flute section, and the trombones could shoot the slides out to full length.

The lounging room, which is also used as a reception room on ladies' nights or for informal musicales, is a beautiful apartment, and contains what is claimed to be the largest rug ever woven in one piece. The good brother who acted as our guide, informed us that it was designed by an interior decorator in New York, and was woven in Ireland, and weighed over two tons, which is some rug. How would some of you boys like to put it out on the line some Saturday afternoon and beat it? (Yes, you would no doubt beat it—out of town.)

Every room, and there are many of them, is designed in some particular period,—Egyptian, Roman, Gothic, etc. None of the furniture or draperies were bought "out of stock," but were specially designed for each particular room. The upkeep must be something to worry about, but we were informed that they had no financial difficulties in connection with the building.

Guthrie is certainly a fraternal city, and in addition to the Cathedral has a Masonic Home for Children and a Masonic Home for Aged.

One night we drove out to see them drilling an oil well. They were down 4250 feet at the time, and expected to "strike ile" in about six or seven hundred feet more. No we did not buy any oil wells or options on any of them.

Well, that's all for Oklahoma, but it has served the purpose of filling this column, provided the chief does not blue pencil it.

We received a card from Noble Carl Perry (the musical cop), who is a member of the Sax section. At the time he was doing the World's Fair in New York, but stated he was heading for points South and West for a couple of weeks, so he too may wind up in Oklahoma.

Band rehearsals are in full swing for the coming season, and we hope some of the guys will do something outstanding before the next issue, otherwise we will have to go out of business. No hits—no runs—no errors.

C. C. F.



#### OUR RECORDER CELEBRATES

**O**UR coming ceremonial, November 17, almost fell on the anniversary of a very eventful day in the life of one of our well-known members.

November 15, 1939, is the 57th anniversary of the wedding of Past Potentate and Recorder Walter W. Morrison and Mrs. Morrison.

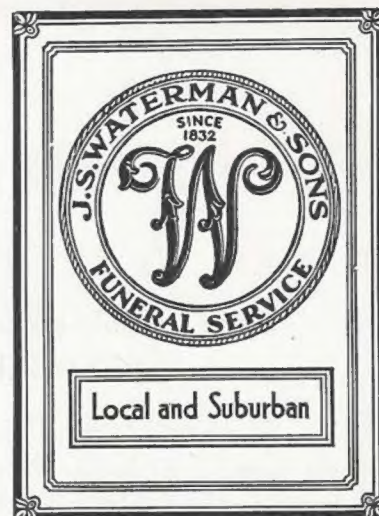
Walter tells us that November 15, 1882, was the coldest day in over a hundred years before or since and that the bridal party drove to New Hampshire in a blizzard. We hope the 57th anniversary is somewhat warmer. Walter says if any couple lives together for 57 years, one of them must be a good fellow. Our guess is, and we are in a position to know, that in this case both have been and are good fellows. We hope they live together and continue to enjoy life for many years to come.

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BY NOBLE J. ARTHUR MCCOY  
Associate Editor

**T**HE Fall Ceremonial is just ahead and in keeping with Major Vaughan's plans, the patrol will feature some new marching idea for its part in the program. Captain Keough is a fine tactician and with his ingenuity, some novel formation is sure to be worked out to sustain the interest of the Nobility in the floor work.

After 36 years service to the Commonwealth, Custodian Edward Dowling of the Cambridge Armory, retired on October 24. The members will miss him and his courteous and kindly cooperation. He first served under Col. Pew, Commander of the old Eighth Regiment and then successively under many other commanders. He has seen the outfit called out for service on seven occasions, for duty at the Chelsea Fire, at the Salem Fire, the Lawrence Strike, for duty on the Mexican Border, for the World War, the Boston Police strike, and for the Hurricane of September, 1938. From our pleasant relations with Mr. Dowling, it must be that he is the ideal in armory custodians. Bon jour, Mr. Dowling, and may you spend the days of your retirement in doing what you like best to do.

At the annual conclave of the Grand Commandery, Oct. 31, three members of the patrol received appointments, Em. George Weeks, as Commander of the 8th Division, Em. Russell Lynn as George's Deputy Grand Warder, and Em. Harold Budreau was again appointed Deputy Inspector Instructor.

Noble Weeks is particularly in the spotlight at this time. He has just been installed as Illus. Master of Boston Council. On October 16, he, with the assistance of Em. Albert Thorley, installed the officers of St. Omer Commandery. Those officers include Noble Russell Lynn, Commander, Noble William F. Sharpe, Captain General and Noble Andrew McCulloch, Senior Warden.

Noble Alden Leland of the first platoon has advanced to the East in his lodge. He was installed as Master of Mt. Hollis Lodge of Holliston, October 3. Congratulations, Worshipful Sir.

Noble George Gardner of the first platoon and Lieutenant of Police in South Boston, was recently elected Second Vice Commander of Suffolk County Council, American Legion, with designation as Hospitalization Officer.

The first platoon members are glad to welcome back Noble Daland after his long illness. Those fellows of the first platoon, the big boys of the patrol, are likewise the playboys, and take every occasion possible for a jollification. This time, it is to celebrate the recent marriage of Noble Dick Gunnerson. A big party is planned for November 24, at the home of Major Vaughan, in Melrose.

Most of our news this month seems to have been centered in the first platoon,

but not all of it, by any means. Perhaps the newsiest news of all comes from the fourth. That handsome second lieutenant, Bill Odell, after traveling across the country again and again, has finally found the lady of his choice. Noble Odell was married to Miss Ruth Adams, on the first day of November. They will make their home in Arlington Heights after the honeymoon. Congratulations, Bill and the utmost of happiness and prosperity to you both.



#### WE WANT THEM BACK

**T**HE strength of our Temple, and of any similar body, lies not in its material holdings, but in the number and enthusiasm of its membership. In the early days of the depression many good members were forced, through various reasons, to drop their membership. Many of these were eager and loyal supporters. We miss them. We need them, and we stand ready to make their return a simple matter. It's only a case of sitting down together, talking the situation over and finding a solution to the problem.

If you know of any of the good old-time members who do not now hold cards, speak to them, and persuade them to get in touch with the Recorder. You will be doing both them and the Temple a favor.

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BY VAIL K. HAAK  
Associate Editor

THE bowling league got away to a flying start on Thursday, Oct. 26. Before the matches at a dinner meeting it was voted to leave the teams with the same bowlers as last year with the few exceptions where some Noble had dropped out or a new Noble had joined the league.

Charlie Hansis who bowled with us two years ago has come back to the ranks, and in spite of his lay-off bowled as though he had never had a vacation from the alleys.

At this writing there are still some vacancies on some of the teams. If you desire to fill one of those vacancies do not tarry too long but just make your appearance any Thursday night at the City Club alleys and President Greig will assign you to a team.

As I said in the last edition, Aleppo will be again represented in The Amateur Boston Pin League. Nobles, if you are in the vicinity where the team is bowling any Monday night, why not drop in and give the team your moral support.

The Schedule for the first 7 weeks:  
Oct. 30—Aleppo at University Club  
Nov. 6—Oxford Club at Aleppo  
Nov. 13—Aleppo at Winthrop Yacht  
Nov. 20—City Club at Aleppo  
Nov. 27—Aleppo at Pentucket, Haverhill  
Dec. 4—Aleppo at Kernwood, Malden  
Dec. 11—Cottage Park Yacht at Aleppo

*Aleppo rolls home games at City Club Alleys.*

Next month we will be able to print a few averages of the Aleppo League.



#### A REAL FISH STORY

WE have heard many good fish stories but here is one which carries the proof along with it.

Noble Cecil H. Marble of Atlantic, Massachusetts, has been a salt water fisherman for many years and has made many a prize catch. But it took a little fishing party on a fresh water pond to bring out his superior qualities as an angler.

One day last month Noble Marble accompanied by a friend, Mr. N. A. Burkhart of Wollaston, journeyed to Cape Cod on a fishing expedition. Being good fishermen they seem to forget the name of the pond and the location where

they fished but when they showed up in the center of South Orleans later that day they startled the natives by showing them a string of three giant pickerel totalling just two ounces under ten pounds in weight. Each pickerel was over twenty-four inches long and five inches thick.

The catch amazed the natives who believed they were the biggest pickerel ever caught on the Cape.



#### OUR NOBLE HUNTSMEN

WE have heard many fishing stories and some very good hunting stories but they usually favor the sportsman. The following story told by Noble Doctor O. Lawrence Clark of South Acton puts the hunter on the wrong side of the story but really bears out what we have always said about the Maine guides spending their summers figuring out some new practical joke to entertain the visiting hunters during the hunting season.

Doctor Clark advises us that during a recent hunting trip at Fourth Machias Lake in Maine, accompanied by Noble Hilliard of Acton and Noble Swett of West Concord they started out one

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**REMEMBER US?** We're the Degree Staff still meeting regularly Friday night, at the Shrine Headquarters, under the supervision of Director Paul Bowser and his able Assistant, Sam Smith.

The boys were sufficiently recovered from the Baltimore trip to attend the annual outing of the Southeastern Shrine Clubs, at Mattapoisett, on Sunday, September 17. Most of our boys being athletic, returned to Boston with many valuable and useful prizes. That Ben Cohen in charge of games sure is a wonder. The only casualties being Mitch Hambro and Eddie Adolph. Eddie receiving a severe injury to his arm in the softball game. To make up for his injury, he won, as a prize, a blanket that Sid Abbott won't need to send a check for.

Most of the boys have had a very enjoyable summer and are now back on the job with new vigor and plenty of pep. Mitch Hambro has fully recovered from his recent illness, and after a good summer playing golf with George Lewis is entering the winter season with his usual good health. Ken Damon visited the World's Fair with his family and drove his son, Bob, down to Durham, North Carolina, where he is a student at Duke University. Ken's other boy, Bill, is a student at Syracuse.

Sid Abbott is, at present, on a vacation. Sid was unable to take his vacation earlier due to a promotion which caused additional work and more responsibilities with his company. Sam Cohen's son, Jim, has returned to Penn. State to enter his sophomore year.

The Degree Staff spent an enjoyable week end on the shores of Lake Winnepesaukee, New Hampshire, September 30. Sid Abbott, George Lewis and Mitch Hambro went up on Friday afternoon

and prepared the place for the arrival of the Degree Staff, Saturday morning. Entertainment was furnished by Stanley Stedfast who, as usual, was a very congenial Master of Ceremonies. Eddy Adolph added much to the entertainment with his stories of the week. The meals were excellent; beef by Sid Abbott, oysters and tomatoes by George Lewis, all dairy products provided by Sam Cohen, including: cheese, milk, cream, butter and buttermilk. Others who were able to get away for overnight were Don MacQuarrie, Andy Stenberg, Larry Coburn, Ken Damon, Sam Cohen, Frank Watson, Carl Priest and Grant Chandler. Invited guests were Jack Macaulay, who learned of the hot sands at our last Ceremonial, and Harold Nicholson, City Engineer, City of Medford.

Assistant Director Sam Smith in charge of our meeting, Friday night, October 13, received suggestions for new stunts to be used at our Ceremonial. Many of the boys had new and original ideas for stunts and anticipate in entertaining the Nobility with many original, fast, furious and funny means for embarrassing the candidates.

Carl Priest's wallet has been recovered.

*Ed. Note:*

We welcome back to these pages the news of the Aleppo Degree Staff so ably written by Noble Macaulay. We have missed the "Prayer Rug" notes and hope they are back again to stay.

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